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Dear Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.56, Applicants wish to call the attention of the Examiner to the following references:

U.S. PATENT(S):

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6,556,974	D'Alessandro	Apr 29, 2003
6,604,084	Powers et al.	Aug 05, 2003

The references listed above were cited by the International Examiner in the Search Report (copy enclosed) of Applicants' counterpart international patent application no. PCT/US03/31198 (MPEP §2001.06(a)).

A completed form PTO-1449 is enclosed.

Consideration of these references by the Examiner is respectfully requested. To date, a first Office Action on the merits has not been received in connection with this application. This Information Disclosure Statement is therefore believed to be timely filed.

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